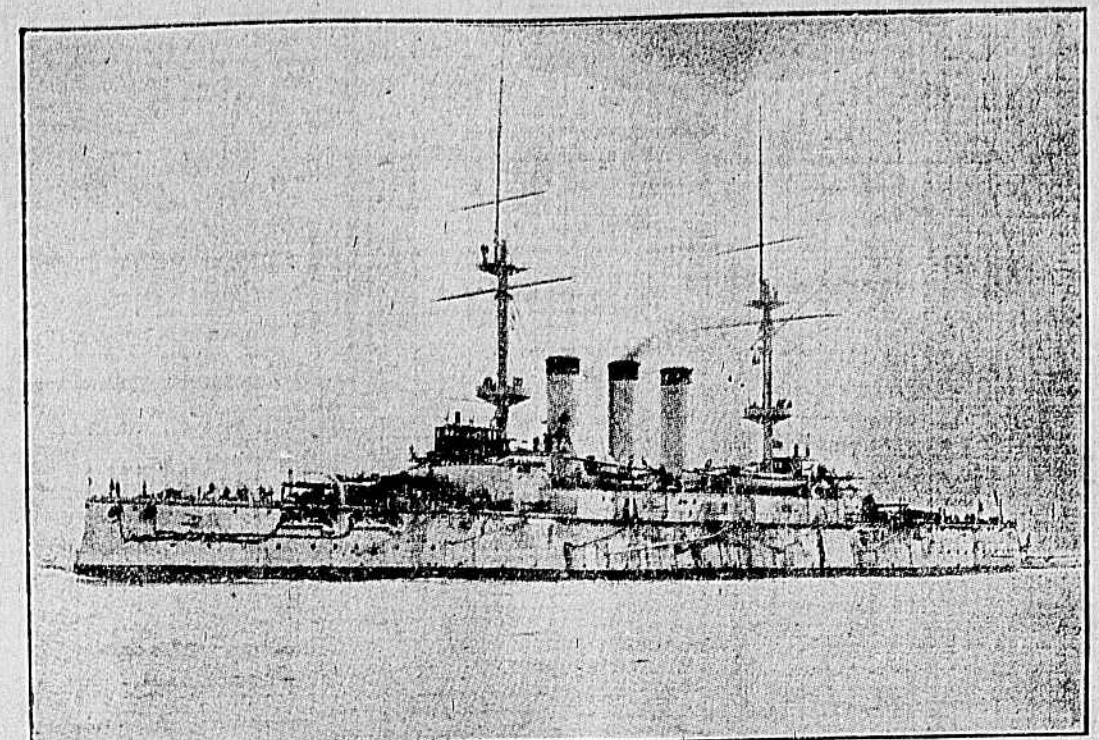


## BATTLESHIP HATSUSE BLOWN UP BY MINES



**THE HATSUSE.**

**SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS**

**The Weather.**

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Forecast for Friday and Saturday: Fair, with light winds. Virginia and North Carolina—Fair Friday and Saturday; fresh west winds.

**STATE OF THE THERMOMETER.**

6 A. M.	63
12 M.	68
6 P. M.	72
12 M.	75
Average	69.2

**MINIATURE ALMANAC.**

Sun rises	6:38	HIGH TIDE	5:25
Sun sets	7:14	Morning	5:00
Moon sets	12:09	Evening	9:00

Richmond.

Broken-hearted woman, without home without kin, disappointed in love, seeks "surrogate of sorrow" beneath calm waters of Reservoir Park Lake. To-night, the North Carolina Society will have its first public celebration and banquet. Colonel Vaddell, Governor Montague and a number of others will make addresses. Motion made in the Episcopal Council to amend canon XIX., which places a ban upon dancing, horse racing, theatre-going and other more or less social practices. Negro man skillfully raises a postoffice money order from fifty cents to fifty dollars and imposes on two well known Richmond merchants. Hebrew Memorial Association has annual celebration with General Pittsfield Lee as the orator. Montague addresses young men at the commencement of the Virginia Mechanics' Institute. Many ladies of the city attend ball at Fratt Castle, where articles which owners had prized highly went at very low prices. Old monitor returns to Richmond to be dismantled. MANCHESTER.—City Committee to meet Monday night to decide upon the plan for selecting delegates to the State Convention, may adopt plan of city convention. Funeral of Mr. Talbot this afternoon. Elite Club to establish summer camp. Baltimore. Meeting of Delmo Klan to-night.

## WAS PRIDE OF MIKADO'S NAVY.

**Cruiser Yoshino Destroyed and Ninety of Crew Were Saved—Battleship Fuji Was Badly Damaged—Russian Cruiser Rogatyr Grounded Near Vladivostok and in Critical Condition.**

By Paul Lambeth.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch. Copyrighted, 1904.)

LONDON, May 19.—"The destruction of the Japanese battleship Hatsuse and the cruiser Yoshino, coming on top of the sinking of a torpedo boat and a small cruiser, may have an important effect on the land campaign in Manchuria, as on the situation at sea." This statement was made to-day by a high officer at the Horse Guards.

"It means one of the most interesting war games that has taken place in many years. The Russian commander will not, under any avoidable circumstances, fight a general battle until another attempt has been made by his naval compatriots to gain control of the sea, while the Japanese commander will strain every nerve and take every reasonable chance to force Kurapatkin to give battle and to wipe his army off the slate before there is a chance for Togo to suffer defeat or be compelled to seek protection of the guns of Nagasaki or some other Japanese stronghold. Delay is the game of the Russians and aggression is that of the Japanese and the game of strategy with two such masters as Kurapatkin and Kuroki or Kodoma playing it, will make a large page in the history of war."

The news from St. Petersburg that the Baltic squadron will be rushed without delay to the East, is taken as a natural sequence to the Japanese misfortune. If the report that the channel at Port Arthur has been sufficiently cleared to permit the passage to sea of the Russian battleships and armored cruiser is true, the Japanese will be in a perilous case if the Baltic squadron gets within striking distance in good condition and with full bunkers. The latest advices place the Japanese in possession of New Chwang and Hai Cheng and moving on Liao Yang with the Russians steadily retreating toward Harbin. No news has been received to-day of the mysterious third Japanese army, reported to be moving on Mukden.

## TWO THOUSAND RUSSIANS KILLED.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, May 20.—The Standard's correspondent at Tien Tsin cables that while the Japanese fleet was covering the landing of troops near Kai Chau on Monday, a fierce engagement occurred at Hain Yen Cheng. Two thousand Russians were killed or wounded. The Russians retreated and the Japanese occupied both Kai Ping and Kai Chau. The Chinese governor at Chen Chow has received news, the correspondent adds, that the Russians have destroyed the railway between Tashichiao and New Chwang.

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## NEGROES LYNCH ONE OF THEIR COLOR

Took Him From an Officer and Swung Him to a Tree.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WELDON, N. C., May 18.—A negro tramp was lynched at Seaboard last night by a crowd of negroes for criminal assault upon a seven-year-old negro child.

The brute gave his name as Dick Whitehead. Policeman Cuthrell started to jail with him, when he was overtaken by an infuriated mob of blacks, who demanded the prisoner.

They pulled him from the buggy and swung him to a tree, where his lifeless remains were seen dangling this morning.

The negro was a stranger in this community.

## MET DEATH IN THE LAKE

Mrs. Lula B. Harper Ends Her Sad Existence Beneath Calm Waters.

### BROKEN HEARTED, SHE SAID

Unfortunate Woman Was Without Home, Relatives or Friends.

The frail remains of Mrs. Lula B. Harper lie at rest in the parlors of Bennett's undertaking establishment, at Belvidere and Broad Streets. They will be gently placed in the grave at Oakwood Cemetery this afternoon, under Mr. Bennett's directions, and services, simple and solemn will be conducted by Rev. Vivian McKinnon.

Mrs. Harper ended an unhappy existence sometime Wednesday night, by drowning herself in Reservoir Lake. She had planned the taking of her life with as much care and as systematically as one would go about preparing for a pleasure or business trip. She wrote a letter to her only acquaintance in this city, posted it the evening before, and then wrote another, which she left on a bench in the park, near the place where her body was found early yesterday morning. The text of the note found at the park last night is:

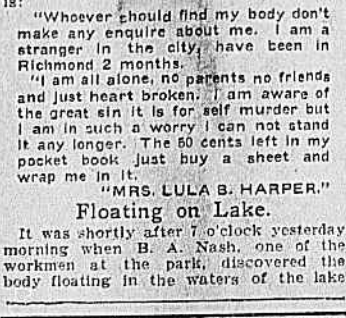
"Whoever should find my body don't make any enquiry about me. I am a stranger in the city, have been in Richmond 2 months.

"I am all alone, no parents, no friends and just heart broken. I am aware of the great sin it is for self murder but I am in such a worry I can not stand it any longer. The 50 cents left in my pocket book just buy a sheet and wrap me in it."

"MRS. LULA B. HARPER."

Floating on Lake.

It was shortly after 7 o'clock yesterday morning when B. A. Nash, one of the workmen at the park, discovered the body floating in the waters of the lake.



MRS. LULA B. HARPER. Drowned Wednesday Night in Reservoir Lake.

about eight feet from the shore, near the middle of the south bank. Park Police and Policeman Farley joined them. The body was identified by Detective Gibson, who had seen Mrs. Harper several times recently in connection with the pathetic story of her coming to Richmond and her former career here, which ended in tragedy.

Some time ago a letter was written by Mrs. Harper to persons in Richmond, in which she said she would like to become the wife of a soldier in the Soldiers' Home. The substance of the letter, which was considered unique in its nature, was published in the papers.

A business man of this city read the publication and opened up a correspondence with Mrs. Harper. She was then in Charlottesville, where she said she had been working. The result of the correspondence was that Mrs. Harper came to Richmond, expecting to meet her correspondent and to shortly afterward become his wife.

Her Arrival Here.

She was met at the Main Street station by the Richmonder. Her appearance was not prepossessing to him. She was frail and bordering near to the middle age, and

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## THE SONS OF NORTH CAROLINA AROUND THE BANQUET BOARD



## MAY AMEND CANON WHICH PLACES BAN

Proposition to Strike Theatres, Balls, Horse Racing From List of Specified Offenses.

## LIVELY DEBATES IN COUNCIL

Delegates Instructed to Oppose Proposition to Make Office of Presiding Bishop Elective.

Before the arrival of the evening hour the 10th annual council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Virginia had for several hours followed a programme of lively debates and important business transaction of a character that distinguished the day as one of the most striking and interesting in the entire history of the body.

When the sharp fall of the gavel brought the delegates to order in the early morning, the business before the council, until late in the afternoon, was engaged in this work of choosing its delegates in the national church court. Only the gaps between ballots and announcements were used for anything else.

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## REMOVE THE CHURCH BAN

The apparent effect of the proposed change is to a certain extent to remove the church ban upon those practices mentioned in the canon and to leave it discretionary upon the brethren, what discretion they wish to exercise in the matter of the church ban is to be left to them. It is held that the canon is obsolete and in a measure disregarded, and that specifications of offense are to be left to the discretion of the local church.

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## STRIKER KILLED BY A POLICEMAN

Striking Dock Employees Have Serious Encounter With Police and Several Are Wounded.

(By Associated Press.)

CALLAO, PERU, May 19.—When the striking dock employees were going toward the dock to-day the police interfered and attempted to disperse them. The police arrested one of the strikers, and his comrades made an effort to rescue him. A fight ensued, in which the police fired over forty shots, which were answered by a shower of stones. One of the strikers was killed and several wounded. The police arrested the members of the board of directors of the strikers' union.

The people of Callao had become alarmed, and business houses are closed. The streets are being constantly patrolled by cavalry.

## BOAT CAPSIZES; TWO DROWNED

Prominent Confederates Attending Reunion at Charleston Lose Their Lives.

(By Associated Press.)

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 19.—Two visitors to the Confederate reunion, J. D. Carmichael, of Dillon, S. C., and W. H. Harmon, a Confederate veteran of Lexington, S. C., were drowned this afternoon in the harbor between Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie. Two other occupants of the small boat swam to the shore and were rescued. The party were nearly drowned, being rescued just in time by men from the life-saving station.

The harbor was calm as a mill pond and the small cat-rigged boat capsized in an endeavor to put about in order to pick up the hat of one of the party, which had been blown off.

The rescued men after being brought ashore were carried to the army hospital and given immediate attention by the surgeon and hospital corps.

Annual Meeting and Dinner To-night of Richmond Society of Carolina-Virginians.

HON. A. M. WADDELL ORATOR

Will Make Principal Address. Others Respond to Toasts. Historical.

"Carolina! Carolina! Heaven's blessings attend her, While we live we cherish, protect and defend her; Tho' the scorners may sneer at, and willing defame her, Yet our hearts swell with gladness whenever we name her."

This is the refrain that will be heard about the board at the Masonic Temple to-night at the annual meeting and banquet of the North Carolina Society of Richmond. The date is one dear to the hearts of all Carolinians and famous in the world's history, being the one hundred and twenty-fourth anniversary of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, the first protest made by American citizens against British tyranny.

It is regarded as eminently fitting that the society should have this day for its first annual banquet, which is to follow a meeting of the society at the Masonic Temple to-night, the feature of which will be an address by Colonel Alfred M. Waddell, of Wilmington, N. C. The society will elect its officers for the year of 1904. The banquet, which will precede the banquet, at the banquet addresses will be made by Governor Montague, Dr. W. W. Moore, Dr. W. L. Foushee, Major A. S. Lanier, Captain Carlton McHenry and Hon. D. H. McLean of North Carolina.

Interesting Beginning.

The celebration to-night is the first public function under the auspices of the young society, which has but recently been organized and even yet numbers not nearly so many as it will in a few weeks more.

The first of its kind in the South, is interesting. Late in September, 1903, a few prominent Richmonders met in the Chamber of Commerce on the subject of a North Carolina Society to select representatives from this city to attend the reunion or Old Home Day celebration in Greensboro, last October, when the living representatives of the United States assembly were to meet in the same city.

The Chamber of Commerce meeting was large that the suggestion was then made that a North Carolina Society be organized permanently in this city. The suggestion was enthusiastically received and a temporary organization was then and there effected, with Dr. J. Allison Hodges, as temporary president and Dr. W. L. Foushee, secretary. At the meeting Dr. Moore was selected to make the response for the Virginia colony at the Greensboro reunion. Dr. J. Allison Hodges, Dr. A. S. Lanier, Dr. W. H. Lee and Mr. Frank S. Woodson and others from this city attended the Greensboro gathering.

When this delegation returned from Greensboro and reported the temporary organization of the society was permanent. A committee on permanent organization was named to prepare a plan and the necessary constitution and by-laws. A board of governors was named, consisting of Colonel John W. Gordon, chairman; Messrs. R. H. Ellington, J. R. Hunter, W. S. Copeland and Frank S. Woodson. Since that time several meetings have been held, and the society has steadily grown in numbers until it now embraces about eighty members, including many men prominent in every profession and vocation and leaders of enterprise.

List of Members.

Here is a nearly complete list of the members of the society: Edmund Strudwick, Dr. W. W. Moore, of the St. Paul's Church; Dr. A. S. Lanier, of the University College of Medicine faculty; Dr. W. L. Foushee, of the Richmond College faculty; William L. Hazell, proprietor of the Shocks warehouse; Frank S. Woodson, of The Times-Dispatch editorial staff; W. S. Forbes,

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HELP  
TO-DAY

The 82 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispatch on page 10, are as follows:

20 Domestic. 3 Teachers. 58 Miscellaneous. 1 Salesman.

This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.